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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 March 4, 2004

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of November 7, 2003 for one month to March 7, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

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